

## Treasury Department,

Mint of the Mint,

Washington, D. C., June 20, 1899

M. H. Cobb,  
Supt. Mint United States,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

It is respectfully requested that you will superintend the annual  
assay at the Mint at Philadelphia. You will witness the delivery  
by the melter and refiner and coiner ,and note carefully the quanti-  
ty and quality and ascertain if the wastage is excessive or unusual,  
if so endeavor to find the cause . After the melter and refiner,  
coiner have completed their deliveries ,in order to ascertain if  
superintendent has on hand the amount of bullion and moneys  
called for, you will weigh and count all bullion and coin on hand,  
called for by the books ,except such silver bullion and silver  
bars as are under seal, and being transferred to the vaults in the  
Mint building, of course it is understood that you will accept the  
amount under seal as correct.

The coin and other moneys in the hands of the cashier should

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ounted on the 30th instant. In order to enable you to do this, Superintendent will be instructed to close the cashier's office twelve o'clock on that day.

You will also count the medals and money in the custody of Medal Clerk.

You will be assisted in the duties assigned you by A.A.Hassan his Bureau, and A.W. Bennett, and L.L.Preston of the New York Assay Office.

When you have completed your labors you will submit a report uniting giving the result of your examination.

Respectfully yours,

*B.F. Butler*

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1899

Messrs. A. W. Bennett and

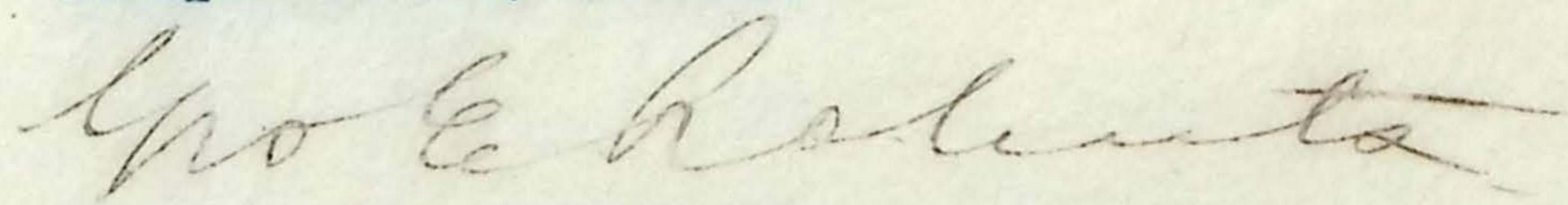
L. L. Preston,

gentlemen:

You are hereby authorized and requested to proceed to the  
Mint at Philadelphia to assist Mr. M. H. Cobb, of that institution,  
at the annual settlement to perform such duties as may be assigned  
to you by Mr. Cobb.

Your necessary traveling and subsistence expenses will be  
reimbursed upon your rendering an account of the same. It will be necessary  
for you to render accounts covering these expenses up to and includ-  
ing June 30, 1899 and a separate account from July 1st., until your  
return.

Respectfully yours,

George R. Roberts  
Director of the Mint.

Treasury Department,

Bureau of the Mint,

Washington, D. C., June 22, 1899

Mr. A. A. Hassan,

Mint Bureau.

SAC: Mr:

You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the Mint at Philadelphia, and in conjunction with Mr. M. H. Cobb, superintendent of the annual settlement of that institution, commencing on the morning of the 26th instant.

While engaged in this service your actual traveling and subsistence expenses will be allowed, upon your rendering an account of the same.

Respectfully yours,

*P. B. Johnson*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

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